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## FREEDOM FROM HUNGER CAMPAIGN

# THE WORLD'S HUNGRY CHILDREN

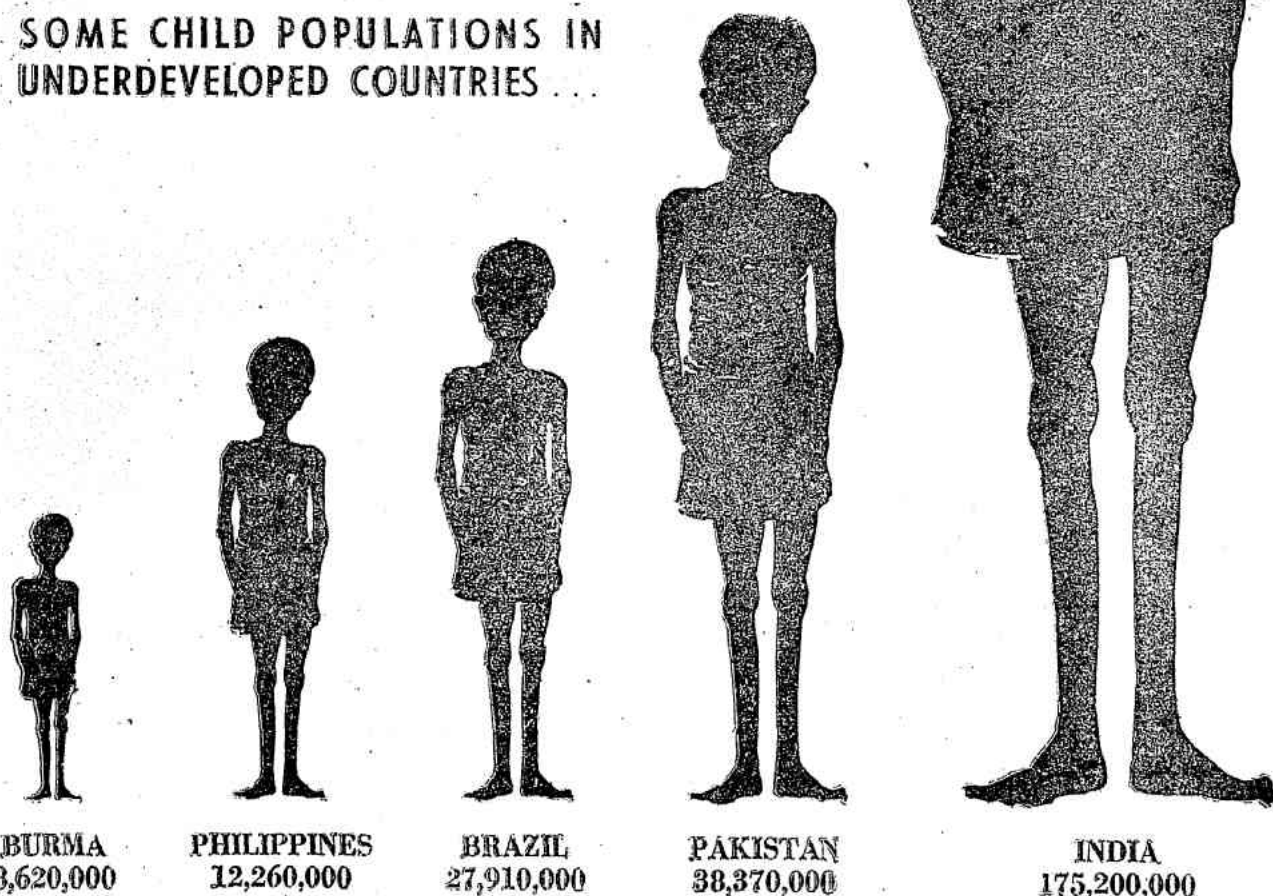


PRESENT TOTAL No. OF CHILDREN



- There are more than 1,000,000,000 children in the world today - that is, approximately 100 times the total population of Australia.
- Three out of four of them live in underdeveloped countries.
- Every day the world's population increases by 140,000.
- These additional mouths must be fed.
- All these children face a short life and one burdened by privation and disease.

SOME CHILD POPULATIONS IN UNDERDEVELOPED COUNTRIES ...



FAO

# WON'T YOU HELP?



## EDITORIAL GUNS BEFORE BUTTER

This is the last edition of "Woroni" for 1963, and it is different. You may not like it — that is unfortunate; however, you will be able to say "I told you so" next year when there is no more "Woroni".

That is to say statistically inferentially there should be no more editions, judging by the present degree of enthusiasm and interest. No doubt the possible (and highly probable) cessation of publication will fall blamelessly to the A.N.U. student "Establishment": the S.R.C. and the present editorial staff. So be it.

However, remember this: government of any kind (and the Press is an integral part of this) should be by and of the people as well as for them. If you don't like this particular form of government change it, fight it, or at least think about it.

You may not like thinking — statistics of starving children on front pages may depress you or perhaps even cause you to miss that extra little bit of gossip of who's sleeping with whom in the Common Room — very well, write in and register your annoyance; we'll print it.

Some-one once described Universities as "giant brain factories with students busily filling out their prescriptions so as to fit comfortably into their test-tube in later life" and it is true here.

Don't say you haven't time to do something, or that the examinations are only a term or two away — if you have time to sleep and nominate yourself as a functioning human being you have time to do something for yourself. If you like working in a University "atmosphere" at least breathe out sometime.

As I said, you may not like "Woroni" or thinking, or me personally. That is reciprocal, because I don't like you. I don't like the stunted stupified mire you are sluggishly wallowing in, and I don't even like the way you wallow.

Applications for editorship for next year's "Woroni" in first term are now invited (as well as for staff), and if you object to the triad mentioned or any single entity (or you would like to do something for a change) write to the S.R.C. now.

It's about time this student body stopped being so damned pubescent and stood up like responsible adults for a change.

Get it done!  
—Leonid Marshall.

## Letters To The Editor

Dear Sir,  
I wish they'd close University Avenue to the public.

Last night I was riding my bicycle up said thoroughfare and my pedal fell off and I was almost killed by a thumping great Commonwealth car driven by some flipping twit in a black 'at.

If they closed the road there would be no traffic and much safer for drivers.  
Yours militantly,  
A. NIT.

Dear Sir,  
Where is our Union Hall?

K. R. THOMSON,  
Uninterrupted laughter—Ed.

Sir,  
Why is Tony Hartnell so tight about paying Editors' expenses for Woroni?

Yours,  
THE EDITOR.  
Pregnant silence—Ed.

Sir,  
Here is a thought directed from a young Freshman to Chris Higgins, of the S.R.C.:

"We do all stand in the front ranks of the battle every day of our lives; where there is a brave man there is the thickest of the fight, there the post of honour."

Yours,  
HENRY DAVID THOREAU.

Dear Editor,  
Can you tell me if there will be snow in Russia this winter?

Yours,  
N. BONAPARTE, Esq.  
Found in the dusty, well prepared files of our efficient treasurer, A. G. Hartnell.

Dear Editor,  
Is any plan afoot to re-serve University Avenue for University traffic only?

It hardly seems right for a multi-million pound University to build along a mere public thoroughfare.

Yours,  
KEITH HUTCHISON,  
Science I.

Dear Sir,  
The problem that any organisation faces regularly is that of GRAFT. As a completely unbiased observer, I feel that one way the S.R.C. could counter this problem is to prevent the Editor of "Woroni" pre-

senting an expense account (consisting mainly of entertainment costs and taxi fares) on top of a liberal honorarium.

I feel the S.R.C. was wrong to grant the Editor the expense account he so insidiously presented after the "Bungendore Times". Note to the S.R.C.: Please correct this in future.

Yours,  
ANONYMOUS.  
The author, A. G. ("Scrooge") Hartnell, wishes to remain anonymous and we cannot question this, ethical consideration. He also asked us not to disclose the fact that he voted himself £5 to fly to Sydney for immoral purposes this weekend, and we won't.—Ed.

## The Union

Stage 1 of the A.N.U. union building, which it estimated to be in use by 1965, will cost £150,000.

This was disclosed by official S.R.C. sources recently.

The money has been granted by the Australian Universities Commission.

Another £5,000 is anticipated to be drawn from the university furniture vote over and above this total.

Further money for furnishing the building is expected to be supplied by the S.R.C. The exact amount is not known at the moment; however it is understood to be over £1,000.

The site is to be on the corner of University Ave. and Ellery circuit, immediately in front of the Library.

Stage 1 of the Union will include a cafeteria, coffee rooms, kitchen, common rooms and store. Offices for the S.R.C., Sports Council, Student Publications and Union staff will also be included on the ground floor.

## The Last Man In HOCKEY

Following a poor showing in 1962 the club was downgraded this year and consequently has done well for itself with three teams in their respective final fours.

The semi-finals were played on 31.8.63:

A Reserve University finished first on the ladder, won their semi-final against Barton 3-2 and looked set to take off the flag.

B1: University finished third on the ladder and unfortunately lost to Barton 4-2 in the semi-final.

B2: University unluckily finished third on the ladder and were beaten by R.M.C. 2-1 in the semi-final.

C: This team was composed mostly of beginners and ring-ins and although it did not reach the finals, the players were very enthusiastic and all had a good season.

Inter-Varsity, held at Brisbane in the August vacation, was marred by numerous injuries and, from the point of view of hockey, unsuccessful.

However, the survivors rallied round the key and had a thoroughly enjoyable ten days.

This vacation also upset matches in the B and B2 grades through lack of players.

Both these teams would have done better if they had not had to forfeit certain wins because of the lack of men.

Nevertheless, the club has had an eminently successful year and we wish the Firsts the best of luck in their assault on the premiership.

R. STREET  
Nobody else wanted to write any reports, so they can die, unimmortalised.—Ed.

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## FRANTIC JUGGLING BY S.R.C. AS AUDITORS CLOSE IN

The future of Woroni provided possibly the most spirited debate of the five S.R.C. meetings held so far this year.

This occurred at the most recent meeting on Tuesday, September 5. A motion was moved by the Treasurer, Mr. Hartnell, and seconded by Mr. Thynne, that this 3rd term Woroni be printed.

It was pointed out to the council, however, that to bring out this edition only one other Woroni could be afforded by the present S.R.C. within the Woroni budget of £600 and so accordingly only one Woroni could be brought out in 1st term next year.

This motion was passed, thereby making this edition possible and also another appointing Mr. Bill Marshall as a special editor for this Woroni.

However the possibility of only one edition of Woroni in 1st term, 1964, had excited the interest of members of the S.R.C. and the discussion moved from lethargic discussion into elevated debate, during which time the President, Mr. Higgins, was forced to keep a call list that grew rapidly.

Woroni, being one of the only tangible ways that students can see where their fees are going, must be brought out regularly so that "news" is not stale, student interest is high, and the position of editor is not — as it is now — dragged down to a position of the lowest of the low.

Student apathy, it was felt, surrounding Woroni, came from the irregular publication of the newspaper, and a more regular publication should do much to counter the present lag in student interest.

During the discussion, however, the S.R.C. was well aware of the large (but not unsurmountable) practical hurdles to a regular edition.

In the forefront of these are locating printers capable of doing the job, getting editors and staff for the newspaper and lastly raising finance.

It was felt, however, that these problems could be overcome and to this end an S.R.C. committee, the Students' Publications Subcommittee, was formed to investigate the whole question of student publications, in particular Woroni.

The committee will meet during the long vacation in

order to decide the policy for 1st term, 1964.

### BUSH WEEK

In a statement tabled by the treasurer to the S.R.C., a sum total of £766/7/4 was raised by the A.N.U. during Bush Week for the two Bush Week charities for 1963 — abscol and Koomari House.

The money was handed over to representatives of Abscol and Koomari House at a presentation night held at Bruce Hall on Thursday, September 12; each charity receiving half of the money.

TIES AND POCKETS  
A.N.U. blazer pockets may now be ordered from David Jones and A.N.U.

Ties will be available by Orientation Week 1964, again from David Jones.

### ECONOCLAST

As many people are undoubtedly aware, the first faculty journal has been produced in the A.N.U. School of General Studies by the Economics Society — the "ECONOCLAST".

A copy of this undoubtedly worthwhile journal may be obtained from Keith Blackburn, Tony Hartnell, and other members of the society.

Already many readers have expressed concern over the journal's pages 17 to 22 being a confidence trick which in spite of its avowed aim of placing "general equilibrium theory within easy reach of the less mathematical", was quite unintelligible to the average reader, e.g. Professor L. F. Crisp.

The article in question was written by S.R.C. man "Boss" Higgins, whom I am informed by reliable sources, also wrote this one. (Child Psychology Dept. please note.) —Ed.

## BUTTERY

Since the start of the S.R.C. night buttery has again commenced operations in the common room. Since the closing down last term the S.R.C. has moved into its own buttery and so the only conceivable stoppage to this student service can be the failure of students to support this.

The buttery will be open Monday to Thursday nights, from 8.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.

## 10 Years Ago . . . Woroni

### JUNIOR COMMON ROOM

Students will be glad to learn that operations are about to commence on the building of the new Junior Common Room. The Junior Com. will be located at one end of the large hall which was previously the Turner Hostel dining room and should be equally as pleasant and comfortable a place, if not more so, than its predecessor in Melbourne Buildings.

### NEW RADIOGRAM

Rumour hath it that when the new Junior Common Room is completed its furnishings will include one of the latest model radiograms, which will be available for use by students in their spare time.

### CORRUPTION IN STUDENT POLITICS

Embezzlement of Student Funds  
Well, there's no need to go to Persia, South Korea, Nationalist China for corruption — we've got it right here in our midst. The affairs of the sports council stink to high heaven!

### LURID DETAILS OF FINANCE-FIXING

Our guess was confirmed when we came across a receipt from the Canberra Services Club (to which also the auditor should have

drawn attention): Received £17 for 1 9-gallon, 20.9.52. You can bet your boots it wasn't nine gallons of milk! Can you imagine it! £17 of student funds embezzled for grog parties for outsiders!! (for most of the members of the Hockey Club are not students at all). It is not clear from the records who approved this grant, but somebody certainly needs a kick in the pants. The whole business is outrageous!

Did you know that the sweetness of a kiss is due, as often as not, to the use of powdered saccharin in lipsticks? Only a small dose is used in each lipstick but even this is enough to put a sugary sweetness into amatory osculation.

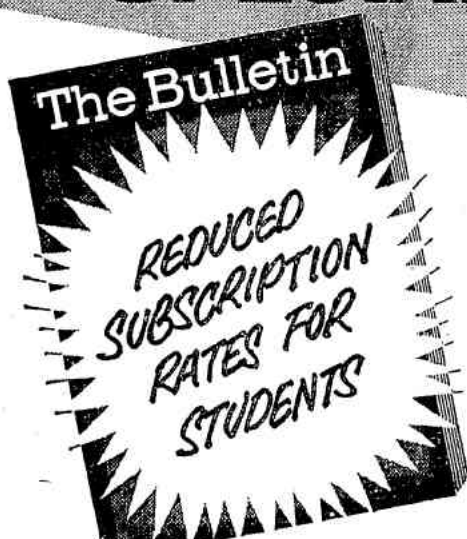
### DISUNITY IN THE RANKS

16th June, 1953.

"To say that the atmosphere was stormy at the special general meeting of the Students' Association held during the last week of last term might be considered to be an exaggeration, since there were only fourteen people present. The meeting was called to debate a motion that students association fees should be raised from 15/- to £1 per annum and that, instead of the present 50/50 division between the S.R.C. and the sports union, the

latter body should henceforth receive 5/- and the S.R.C. 15/- . . ."

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# BUREAUCRACY GONE MAD!

## — S.R.C. REPORT

Tony Hartnell, Martin Gascoigne as observers, and myself as delegate, represented A.N.U. at August Council of N.U.A.U.S. in Melbourne.

In general N.U. seems to be improving. Financially the last six months have seen a slight improvement on the formerly insolvent period. Some expenditures which appear eminently desirable, such as Faculty Associations, are, however, still being curbed. August Council saw also the initiating of serious questioning of the direction in which National Union has been heading, a direction familiar to us as notorious latent disaffiliates. February Council promises to continue to discuss N.U. in such a vein and to strengthen N.U. on the practical level.

Specifically, the customary activities, with the exception of the job of Education Officer, seemed to be conducted well during the period under review.

Several upshots of the Council are of particular interest. Robert McDonald of Sydney will become the first full-time President of N.U.A.U.S. in February, 1964. Money for his salary has been obtained from non-student sources. To be considered at February Council is the moving of the Secretariat to Canberra in 1965.

### HALLS OF RESIDENCE

Final sketch plans for the two new Halls of Residence have been completed and working drawings are under way. Construction will begin on the site 100 yards south of Bruce Hall near the Botany glass houses in early '64. At the start of

1965 125 places will be ready for occupation and the whole project completed by the end of 1966.

The finished project will be two 250-bed halls served by a common central block containing separate dining and common rooms and joint kitchen and recreational facilities. A decision on the sex composition of the halls is pending.

### UNIVERSITY UNION

The first stage of the Union Building will be commenced next year and ready for use at the start of 1965. It is sited on Ellery Circuit on a line between the Library and Canberra High. Those of us who are still here then, in spite of an emotional attachment to the Childers Street Common Room, will not fail to welcome the appearance of an adequate centre for extra-curricular life.

A cafeteria is, of course, the backbone of a Union and our will be no exception. In spite of limited funds careful planning has given the first stage more than a backbone. There will be common rooms, a reading room, table-tennis (and parties), billiards, music, and adequate space for cramped Woroni, Sports Council and S.R.C.

Plans are available in the Common Room.

C. I. Higgins, President, A.N.U. Students' Association.

# "Steamroller" Fainsod

## — Krushchev's Russia

In an orderly and not particularly boring address (only one sleeper was noticed in the Academy of Science lecture theatre), Prof. M. Fainsod, a visiting Harvard lecturer, covered considerable ground from his recent book "Khrushchev's Russia".

He noted that neither U.S. nor U.S.S.R. were intent on the devastation of a "thermo-nuclear" war, but that this attitude is probably not shared by Peking.

Neither the U.S. nor U.S.S.R. could be complacent in their control of the non-aligned, he said.

U.S.S.R., in particular, has adopted a softer policy to emergent National Governments in Asia and Africa.

Their support of bourgeois Governments has brought Peking's wrath, Prof. Fainsod suggested.

Prof. Fainsod didn't completely rule out the chance of Sino-Soviet clashes devel-

oping into a U.S.S.R.-U.S. alliance against China, but this would require a truly great leap forward by China, he said.

In closing, the Professor called for calm resolution, stating, "We must become used to uncertainty and not give way to believing in the inevitability or the impossibility of war".

When questioned on South Vietnam the international affairs expert suggested that in practical politics the U.S. often didn't have a real choice.

While the lecture was learned and illuminating it made one feel that a steamroller had been used to crush walnuts.

One can only marvel at a society in which the great must diffuse themselves over topics which might have been competently covered by any number of people. Once again a "big name" was given a task much beneath him.

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# PAINTING SCHOOL

The sixth residential Summer Painting School at the University of New England will be held from January 4 to January 23, 1964. The tutors will be Mr. Desiderius Orban and Mr. Donald Laycock.

For the past 20 years Mr. Orban has conducted an art school in Sydney, where he is well known as an artist and teacher, and as the author of the widely read "A Layman's Guide to Creative Art". He has exhibited in Europe and in many one-man exhibitions in Australia. This summer school of 1964 will be Mr. Orban's sixth at Armidale.

# SING. GAOLINGS

The National Union of Australian University Students (NUAUS) has written to the National Union of Singapore Students (NUSS) expressing "its distress at the arrest and lengthy detention without trial" of the thirty students in Singapore.

The NUAUS expresses its solidarity with NUSS in its request for a fair trial of the students in a court of law, and in its desire to promote democratic freedom of discussion by the lifting of the bans placed on certain publications. Above all, Australian students are concerned to see that justice be done as soon as possible in these matters, in order that the academic freedom and freedom of speech of students, which are threatened at present, may quickly be reaffirmed.

1,000,000,000!



SEE PAGE ONE

# EPHEMERAL ARTIE

To you who have lectured Pol. Science One, And dispensed Liberal views numberine None.

By A. D. HOC.

Ephemeral Artie, naked in the flue, Felt the brown grate and found the lid had gone,

Puzzled, he turned and saw where, two and two,

The mighty paw of Shaftesbury marked 'NO BLACKLEGGING' on.

Then he remembered through mysterious sleep

The urgent wingers picketing at his home, The voice so far away, so rich and deep: 'Union men' should not have to work alone.

Artie had learned the jolly deed of kind: He took the Wharfies in his arms, and there and then,

Like Ernie O'Dea embracing from behind, Began in joy to found the 18 hour week.

Then from the spurt of seed within him broke

The terrible and triumphant anti-DLP cry, Split upward by the textual Commo sly, It was the bosses now who stood watching by;

And saw its halter break and saw, in fear, And scabbing tussles in the act of birth, Between the dregs a pinkish face appear— And the first A.I.P. man lay upon the earth.

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# Black Bar To Ed

Only four of more than 105,000 Aborigines attend universities in Australia. The majority don't even reach Intermediate level, and many never go to high school. This is a deplorable situation in a country with supposedly enlightened attitudes.

One reason for their low scholastic standard is their home environment, which is rarely conducive to study. It lacks stimuli to knowledge which even the poorest Australian homes take for granted. Such things as magazines, newspapers and books, radio and TV are missing.

The low social position of the Aborigines makes it difficult for them to utilize any education that they do obtain and tends to produce a disillusioned and apathetic attitude to education and consequently among the children. Obviously, under these conditions the attitude of aboriginal children to education is quite different from that of the white child, and in order to educate the majority of aboriginal students successfully instead of just an outstanding few, this attitude and the situation which produces it must be analysed and understood, and special education programmes and teaching methods designed to give the aboriginal the maximum opportunity to reach educational levels commensurate to those of the general Australian community.

At the moment, except in a few isolated instances, and in schools run by the Department of Territories in the Northern Territory,

aboriginal children are taught in exactly the same way as any other children — no allowances are made for different social environment or cultural backgrounds. So that you can find aboriginal children learning to read from books illustrated with pictures of houses, trees and cars which they have never seen and containing simple sentences about situations familiar to white children, but rarely familiar to aboriginal children.

# A.N.Z.A.A.S. 1964

There were indications that the 37th ANZAAS Congress to be held in Canberra from January 20 to 24 next year could be the largest conference ever organised by the Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science, the Chairman of the Congress Organising Committee, Sir George Currie, said today.

"The Congress office in Canberra has already enrolled more than 900 people and there are still five months before the Congress begins. This is a greater number of registrations than at corresponding times in previous years.

During the five day gathering over 900 papers will be presented on subjects ranging from Astronomy to Anthropology and from Architecture to Veterinary Science. Some of the papers will be highly technical; others will deal with topics of interest to all. One of the special evening lectures will be given by Dr. Paul Siple, newly appointed Scientific Attache at the United State Embassy, on his experience at the South Pole.

The Governor-General, Lord De L'Isle, who is Patron-in-Chief of the Congress, will perform the opening ceremony on January 20 in the Albert Hall, Canberra, at which the Presidential Address will be delivered by C.S.I.R.O. Chairman, Sir Frederick White. Enquiries to Mr. G. L. Williamson, Research School of Physical Sciences, The Australian National University, Canberra, telephone 4-0422, ext. 2472.

# Spring Message

The winter has gone and the "promised kiss of springtime" is here once more. This, of course, is in theory only; the weather is just as drizzly, the nights just as cold. Blossoms flourish in pink swirls however, and the little birdies sing, so now is the time to wake up, come out of hibernation, the pulsate with life, throw care to the winds (and study in the meantime).

If, however, you are incapable of entering into the true spirit of spring, be nostalgic! You must have felt the urges of one spring or another, and there's always the future, I mean, spring comes every year with newer (?) and better things to offer!

But don't fight it if you have it! Give yourself up to all the traditions of spring. Delight in your youth or your memories of it.

Epitomise your upheaval or surge of emotions in a new way of life and be re-born along with the vegetables. A cabbage follows the same pattern, you know! One thing to remember — you are human (even if you're inhuman) and should have more potential than a cabbage; now is the time to discover it!

—By one whose philosophy is the exact opposite to the above words of doubtful wisdom.

# Rockefeller Awards

NEW YORK: Two Australian educators have been awarded Rockefeller Foundation grants to conduct research overseas.

They are Dr. I. A. Watson, Professor of Agricultural Botany, Department of Agriculture, University of Sydney, and Dr. Cedric Arthur Chetwynd Mims of the Australian National University, Canberra.

Dr. Watson will visit centres of wheat rust research in Portugal, Kenya and India. Dr. Mims will do research in the field of medical and natural sciences in England and the United States.

# FINGER PAINTING

Seventy students from Melbourne, Monash, Newcastle, New England and Sydney invaded Canberra from 16th to 18th August to attend the inaugural Oriental Studies Convention, organised by the A.N.U. Oriental Studies Society.

Lecturers from the School of General Studies and the Institute of Advanced Studies, as well as prominent Asians and lecturers from the University of Sydney and Monash University, conducted seminars on aspects of Asian culture and politics.

Speakers included the Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Chen Chih-Mai, who spoke on "Masterpieces of Chinese Painting", Professor Davis on "The Poetry of Tu Fu" and Associate Professor Ackroyd on "The Revival of Cultural Art in Japan".

During the convention the National Asian Studies Faculty Association was formed.

Revue Co-ordinator 1964; Editor of "Woroni" 1964 — applications close . . .

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Applications — S.R.C. Letter Rack, Common Room

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SCHOOL PUPILS, EVENING COLLEGE STUDENTS, and others should forward applications so that they will reach the same office before 30th September, 1963.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION please telephone MW 2911 or write to the University Branch Office of the N.S.W. Department of Education, University Grounds, Sydney.

C. MCKINNON, Secretary.

N.S.W. Department of Education.



# SAG

Despite continued attempts to suppress the S.A.G. Column and leave the vast majority of students unrepresented this last column appears, helped by the desperate appeals of "copy-short" editors.

Your local correspondent was deeply shocked by the scenes of Student Activity on Thursday and Friday of Bush Week. But it was gratifying to note that the strain soon told. The Prosh, was the first to show pleasant decline. The rest of Bush Week passed quietly and the Pilgrimage was noticeably dispirited.

Apathists must exercise a greater influence on the irresponsible activists. Remember, events like trolley reprisals, strike apathy and activists alike.

More recent news — Woroni may be discontinued next year; surely our greatest hour is approaching!

The strain of being Woroni's regular columnist is great, but it has been pleasant to write to you of our victories. The long promised letter from Melbourne has arrived; it contains sad news, but it is pleasant for me to put up my pen and hand over to your Melbourne correspondent.

Until next year  
"Strength through Weakness"

—K. Rosewarrn

**DATELINE:** Melbourne. Melbourne remains incorrigibly anti-sag, our representative reports. Not only does the usual hard core exist at Melbourne University (like the SCM, the Rasbo's ALP club and football) but evil, ephemeral (we trust) clubs flourish here, far from the kindly wing of SAG...

Choral Society, Liberal Club and other activist type! And an Open Day found literally hundreds of students flocking to help! People write stuff for "Farrago"!

I cannot go on. But in the distant time when the victorious legions of SAG finally march into Melbourne, then, amidst the cheering crowds and laughing maidens, let the conquering heroes remember the long, hard battle it has been, and let them shed a tear or two on the grave of the Unknown Saggist, the martyr who gave his all to the cause, but died of a broken heart, doomed by the activist element here.

But before this day of wonder remember: Melbourne is the seat of corruption; do not let their diplomats enter; restrict all trade and intercourse and stay FREE!

—GEOFF HOPE, in Melbourne. "Let's Gag Sag Club" open now.

—A. CIVIST.

# SERMONS IN STONES

Overawed, and like a Muslim worshipper, I divested my footwear at the silent building and stepped onto the luxury of the carpet.

The stairs and the second floor were colder and dirtier. I found myself confronted by a few tables and rows upon rows of horse boxes containing, as far as I could see, rows upon rows of human feet. I could see at once that I would have to learn to begin to recognise the lower portions of my acquaintances as I now knew the upper.

Forlornly I wandered down the rows, shoes in hand, in search of a seat, receiving stares of amusement or annoyance from the more fortunate occupants as I peered over the partitions.

I chose a spot near a window (from fear of contracting claustrophobia) and sat down to enjoy the vast expanse of desk space stretched out before me. I found the desks ideal for eating, drinking, filing one's nails, doing one's hair, etc., and the place was so silent I could usually hear approaching footsteps before I saw their owner or vice versa.

I stretched out to get comfortable and found plenty of leg room under the desk and the chairs considerably designed to tilt back for a view from the window. However, I was shocked (and thrilled) to find with what ease one could gain contact with the person in the next desk (regardless of whoever it might be) by the simple means of an accidental lash of the foot at the unsuspecting fellow-sufferer's leg.

Retiring from this foray much abashed, I intended to inspect the rest of the library, only to find that he (definitely a male co-occupant) had, in a similar exploratory lash, kicked my shoes, I knew not whither. I found them down the very convenient fire escape. When I had shaken the final trace of cigarette ash from them, I proceeded on my inspection. The main points of which will suffice to note briefly here.

1. The women's toilet: Seats two with accompanying wash basins and a drinking fountain. A gathering place for exchange of local gossip, especially at lunch time, when the "gathering" extends well out into the passage way.

The addition of a full length mirror would delight any girl's heart, and the door construction could be more congenial to hurried

## Thank God for the Navy

"If it were not for the politicians, I would settle the war in one afternoon by bombing Soviet Russia."

— General Nathan Twining, U.S. Army.

entrance by us weaker mortals.

2. Group Study Rooms: These cosy rooms of joy and youthful pranks are seriously handicapped in their functions by possessing at least one glass door. Rigorous inspection at regular intervals ensures that such outrageous practices as the placing of feet on the delicate laminex top tables, of using the beautiful terrazzo window ledges for seating purposes on sunny spring days are kept in close check. Certain eviction awaits the culprit foolish enough to get caught.

3. Typing Rooms: I did not see these in operation (unless they were intended for the pleasure of transistor addicts).

The top floor housed dusty books and honours students. The bookshelves are so close together that their presence is overwhelming and passage down the bays is made interesting by the fact that they are placed so as to allow just enough room for two people to pass.

The honours students guarded their desks jealously, but on the whole this floor was unremarkable except for the remarkably dusty floor. I half-expected

to see a sign "No heels on bare concrete", but as I didn't I risked my shoes again rather than catch pneumonia, only to be admonished for the noise, I was making with the heels by a testy student.

Once outside, I turned and looked back at the building, well pleased with my inspection, feeling happy that the authorities had been so kind to our students who, after all, are the future of the nation (and those who serve the students are not forgotten — the eleven staff have four toilets!).

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## THE BLACK DEATH

Many and various "new" student publications have appeared of late. These signs of a new ferment in the ANU must be applauded, at least so runs one line of thought.

As the title indicates, there is also cause for alarm and disgust.

The few supporters of student journalism feel that these multifarious insects are sapping the life-blood of Woroni: or of other large, worthwhile publications.

This may be true, but why worry? The sooner that pretentious fraud, Woroni, is dead and buried the better. Why run a club for a few embittered militants and would-be journalists?

We will show courage, resolution and logic by knocking this ridiculous waster of student funds on the head.

If the Epidemic kills Woroni history will judge it an instrument of beneficial providence. Unfortunately, much more pernicious tendencies are apparent.

Not only are these small publications encouraging sectionalism and diversified specialisation in an already small University, but they seem bent on establishing a small non-critical readership.

The most outstanding example of this is "meta LENNOX". The first issue was, perhaps, excusably insulting.

While the general reaction was "Who wrote this crap?" most readers continued their morbid journey.

Surely University students don't have to put up with epistles of rampant inaccuracy and dubious argument e.g. "my sense of a Supreme Consciousness, in which lies the promise of immortality, whereas science with her instruments promises the only death".

[The writer believes in God because he prefers his fantasy to the harsher realities of life?]

"Christianity was not able to save the old Roman Empire; corruption had gone too far." This quotation represents a very unusual view. Even more obviously inaccurate is the comment: "Women had no rights, any more than slaves."

How can such stuff survive uncriticised? The proliferation hides error, those predisposed to believe "read-on", the others throw away such sheets, probably to pick up another that they agree with.

In a University of 60,000 such a state is almost excusable, in one of our size it is disgusting, an affront to intellectual morality, and insidious.

—R. ROSEWARRN.

# Bed Bug Deloused

Canberra has at least two faces. So have A.N.U. students: the dirty, unkempt look of the Common Room, as well as a demeanour befitting the new University buildings of our national capital.

It was the play "Klop", written by the Russian, Mayakovsky. The first half of the play had all the crude humour, noise and exuberance rather foreign to our more sophisticated universities. But the give and take of community living in socialist Russia of 1929 reached its climax at the end of the first half when a Red wedding was disbanded in a blaze of flames and the wedding guests adjourned to the cellar. Here they perished, all but the would-be bourgeois bridegroom who became frozen. Fifty years later he was resurrected into the antiseptic crispness of his ideal state; he and his bed-bug. The "message" of the play becomes apparent in his failure to adjust to an hygienic society in which alcohol and the warm tin-

gle of love are unknown. But his zest for life and a beer proved infectious and set some feet a-dancing and some hearts beating. The play is didactic, but not painfully so.

The hero was the only character who co-ordinated the two eras, and John Kingley played the part in an endearing vulgar way. Graham Richards had the most sustained character parts in each half, and had the scope and ability to re-

create them. There were many small parts, and doubling-up went on at a great rate without being too disconcerting.

The one very special set for the voting by an electronic system on a world scale was well engineered. Bruce Donald as the Chairman of Soviets impressed us by his capable leader's, and Natalie Burgoyne, coveting her spring bloom, charmed us by kicking up her heels in love.

## GREY SANDS

All the world was captured there on my horizon,  
But I was alone  
And afraid.  
The sea sobbed and sucked around my unwilling feet,  
And my heart beat, with life,  
Yet fear  
Of the darkening twilight  
That is loneliness.

A whisp of pink appeared and broke the grey,  
A day began anew,  
I walked away to live it.

—N. Kouksenko.

## Volunteers Needed

The Overseas Service Bureau, which is sponsored by the National Youth Council of Australia, N.U.A.U.S., and many other similar organisations, is now calling for applications throughout Australia for volunteers to serve for one year as auxiliary workers overseas.

Opportunities exist for at least twelve men or women between the ages of eighteen years and, normally, the middle twenties, to participate in a pilot scheme commencing February 1st, 1964. This is the first stage in the Bureau's plan to develop new international service possibilities. The Bureau's voluntary service programme will be known as Australian Volunteers Abroad (A.V.A.).

Applicants must be at least 18 years of age by January 1st, 1964. They must either possess a minimum qualification of matriculation or the equivalent, or have completed a full apprenticeship training, or be intending to complete one of these courses by the end of 1963.

Those accepted for the 1964 intake are expected to be working in North Borneo, Papua/New Guinea and the Solomon Islands. Carefully selected volunteers will serve in schools, technical instruction centres, hospitals, clinics, rural development and community projects and youth organisations. There are many opportunities for young graduates.

Further information and application forms, which must be lodged with the Bureau in Melbourne by September 30, are available from the Overseas Service Bureau Marjorca Building, 260 Flinders Lane, Melbourne, Victoria. (Telephone 63-5857.)



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